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NOW YOU GET A CRASH COURSE IN INTERPOL PAYBACK.
WILL THIS TAKE LONG, PEYER?
WE'RE A LITTLE SLIM ON TIME.

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ZERO!

UPSA-DAISY...

AAAAAHH!

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WHERE IS HE? WHERE'S DEADPOOL?
JUGGERNAUT? WHERE'D HE
HE'S FLAMING! THE HEAT
LOOK OUT! HE'S COMING THIS
AAAAH! HE'S BURNING ME!
BUDDABUDDABUDDABL
BACK OFF, PEOPLE! PULL OUT!
WE'VE BEEN SUCKERED!
MOVE! MOVE!
DON'T THINK THIS IS OVER, MERC! I'LL BE BACK! YOU CAN'T HIDE FROM ME FOREVER!
Ah-HAH!
OOPS.
UP IN THE RAFTERS, Eh?
I CAN'T COME UP THERE --
THOOM
-- DOWN HERE!
-- SO WHY DON'T I BRING YOU --
AOWW!

LIKE, I'M SO SCARED.
LAST TIME WE MET, I THREW YOUR JUMBO BUTT OUT OF A JUMBO JET!*
I REMEMBER.
BUT I AIN'T HERE FOR REVENGE.
GOOD NEWS.
BUDDA BUDDA BUDDA
TANG
TANG, TANG
BLACK TOM SENT ME.
BAD NEWS.
PLENK
PLENK
SOMETHIN'S WRONG WITH HIM. A WEIRD WOOD GROWTH IS EATIN' HIM ALIVE.
SO I'LL SEND HIM A BAG OF TERMITES.
THWANGGG
FUNNY. GOT A DOC WHO CAN CURE HIM -- BUT IN ORDER TA DO IT, HE NEEDS A LITTLE SOMETHIN' SPECIAL BROUGHT BACK.
YOU.
ME?
HOW ABOUT INSTEAD HE TAKES TWO WOLVERINES AND CALLS ME IN THE MORNING?

NO JOKES!
KLANG
A LITTLE HELP HERE, RED?
AM I LAUGHIN'? SIRYN!
I... I...
THWAMP
ANYTIME, RED! BELLOW THEM PIPES!
RED?
STAY OUTTA THIS, THERESA!
RREDDDDD...
THOOM
THIS AIN'T YOUR PROBLEM!
IT'S HIS AND HIS ALONE.

NO!
LEAVE HIM BE
EEEEEEEEEEEE
KRA-
KOWN

THA THOOM
I RECKON A COLLAPSIN' BUILDIN' WILL KEEP HIM OCCUPIED FR A WHILE!
COME ON! Y'R OUT O' DANGER!
WHO SAYS I WANTED YOUR HELP? BESIDES, I'M SAFE NOW, SO LET --
-- GO...
...Oops.
THUNK
OW.
OW!
FWAK
OWWW...
DEADPOOL?!
WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT?

"... YOU'D THINK HE WAS DYIN'!"
YEAAARRRGGHXNHH
CLUH...
CLUH...
CURE YOU? THAT'S MY GOAL. BUT I WARNED YOU, TOM --
-- THE ENTIRE PROCESS DEPENDS ON LOCATING DEADPOOL.
AND AT THIS POINT, WE'RE RACING THE CLOCK.
THE VIRAL GROWTH CONTINUES UNCHECKED -- LIKE A CANCER. FRANKLY, I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH LONGER YOU CAN SURVIVE.
M-MAYBE... MAYBE I CAN HELP...
OH, GOOD. JUST WHAT WE NEED. ANOTHER FLUNKY WITH AN OPINION.
WHAT IS IT, SOLJER-BOY?
LORD CASSIDY, SIR... I RETURN FROM THE FIELD OF BATTLE WITH...
WITH WHAT? YR LIFE? MORE'S TH' PITY.
'TWAS YOUR TEAM THAT FAILED T' CAPTURE DEADPOOL DURIN' YR FIRST DONNYBROOK.*
AND BLACK TOM DOES NAE SUFFER FAILURE GLADLY...
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SIR, PLEASE!
IN THE RUBBLE OF THAT BATTLE, I... I FOUND SOMETHING, SOMETHING THAT MAY BE OF USE!
I BEG YOU TO LET ME TRADE IT FOR MY OWN LIFE.
WHATEVER IT MAY BE, IT HAS ALREADY BOUGHT YOU PRECIOUS SECONDS.
LET US SEE IF IT'S WORTH MORE THAN THAT.
MY, MY! WILL THIS DO, KILLEBREW?
IT MAY INDEED!
EXCELLENT!
BUT YOU'LL PAY THE PRICE FOR FAILING ME!
SHA THOOM
THEN COME, KILLEBREW.
TIME T'PUT Y'R SKILLS TO TH' TEST...

CLOSIN' IN ON MIDNIGHT. GWELL.
THWAP
WHERE ARE YE, PEYER? DO I HAVE TWAIT ANOTHER HOUR F'R YE TO RETURN, YE LOUSY...
BE PATIENT, SEAN. HE'S DOIN' YE A FAVOR, REMEMBER.
BEIN' AN OLD INTERPOL CONTACT, HE PROMISED TO DIG AROUND FOR INFORMATION ON BLACK TOM'S WHEREA-BOUTS...
...BUT IN THE MEANTIME, THERE'S GOTTA BE SOMETHIN' MORE PRODUCTIVE I CAN DO THN COOL MY HEELS IN THIS OFFICE.
MAYBE I C'N GET AWAY WITH NOSIN' AROUND A BIT... DISCREETLY...
...WHAT'S THIS..?
BLACK TOM CASSIDY
CLASSIFIED

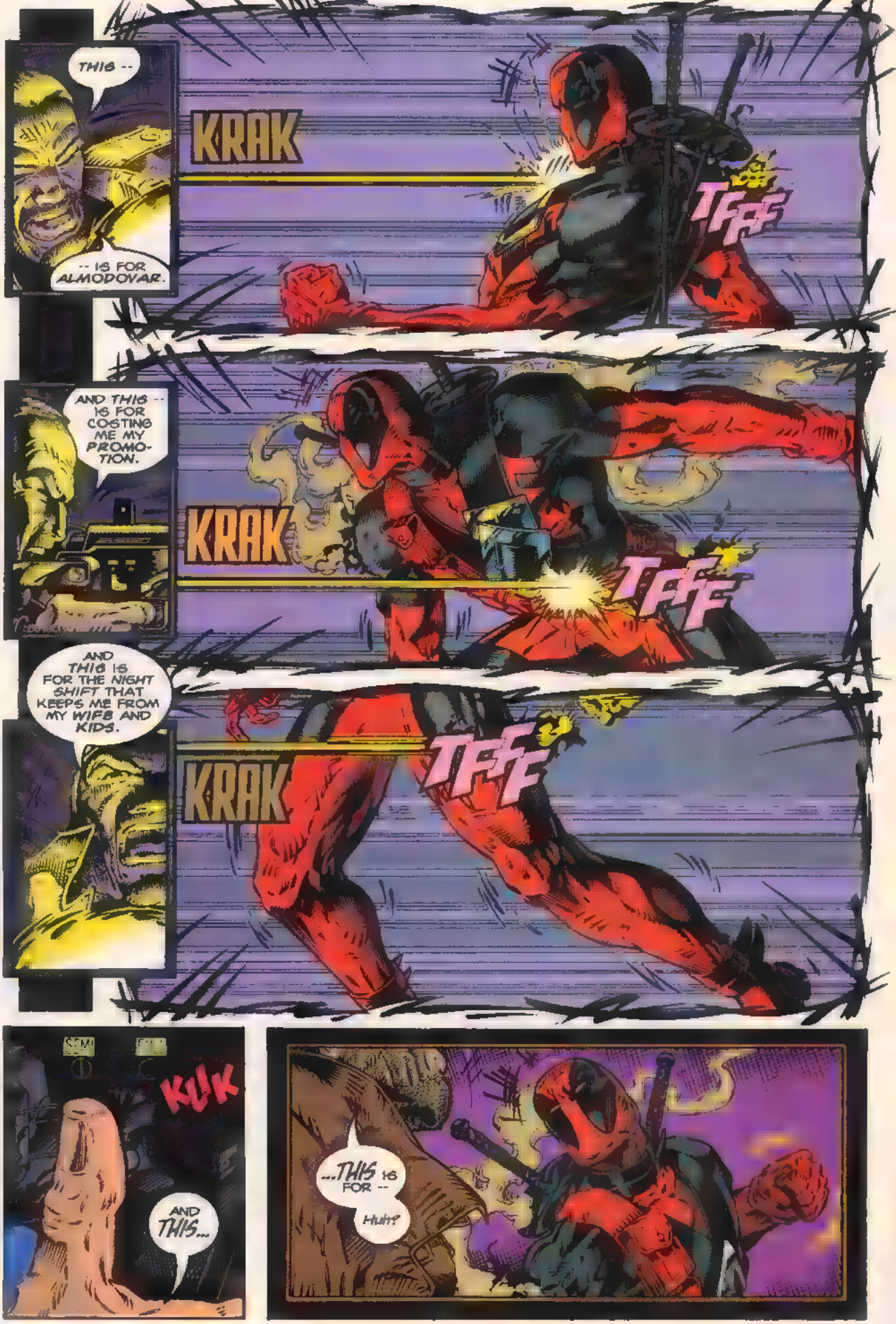
I DON'T BELIEVE IT! THIS [redacted] PRECISELY THE INFORMATION I CAME LOOKIN' FOR!
BUT IF [redacted] HAD IT AT HIS FINGERTIPS, THEN WHY'D HE LEAVE..?
EXCUSE ME?
WHO [redacted] YOU? WHAT DO Y[redacted] THINK YOU'RE DOING?
'S ALL RIGHT. PEYER TOLD ME TO WAIT FOR HIM. I'M A FRIEND OF HIS. HE'LL BE RIGHT BACK.
NICE TRY, MISTER -- BUT PEYER LED AN ATTACK FORCE OUT OF THIS BUILDING AN HOUR AGO!
HELLO, SECURITY? REPORT HERE ON THE DOUBLE! WE HAVE AN INTRUDER RIFLING PEYER'S FILES...
ATTACK FORCE ?
PEYER!
YE MISERABLE DOUBLE-CROSSIN' SNAKE..!

WAIT! WILL YE SLOW DOWN?!
WHY? SO JUGGY CAN CATCH UP AND SQUOOSH ME INTO MOVIE BUTTER?
I'M SORRY Y'R HURT...
PULL THE OTHER ONE, RED. IT'S GOT BELLS ON IT.
I [redacted] YOU [redacted] THERE! YOU ACTUALLY THOUGHT ABOUT HANGING [redacted] OUT TO DRY! [redacted] SIDE ARE YOU ON?
I'M...NOT ENTIRELY SURE. I OWE YE AN EXPLANATION, THOUGH.
NO KIDDIN'. SPILL.
TOM IS... MORE TH'N JUST A DISTANT RELATIVE. HE RAISED ME... CARED FR ME GROWIN' UP.
YOU LOOK AT HIM AND SEE EVIL... I'VE [redacted] AT HIM THAT WAY, TOO. BUT NOW, I'M STARTIN' TO SEE BEYOND.
I'M NOT [redacted] HIS ACTIONS. BUT [redacted] C'N WATCH [redacted] SUFFER. JUGGERNAUT SAID YE COULD BE USED T' CURB HIM, [redacted] FR [redacted] MOMENT...
...JUST A MOMENT...
...I HAD T'WONDER IF [redacted] COULD WATCH THAT HAPPEN.
I COULDN'T.
SMALL COMFORT. MY ALLY AND MY ENEMY ARE FAMILY.
WELL, GREAT.
NOW I GET TO WORRY ABOUT WHERE YOUR LOYALTIES LIE!
SAYS THE [redacted]
CAN YE JUST SHUT UP FOR ONE MOMENT !?!
...
AT THIS POINT, ANYTHING'S POSSIBLE...

THEN LISTEN T'ME.
YR NOT THE ROGUE I FIGURED YE TBE BASED ON YOUR REPUTATION.
IN FACT, YE'VE GONE TBAT PR ME THROUGHOUT THIS NIGHT -- AND MS. CASSIDY IS GRATEFUL, MISTER...
...MISTER...
I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT ELSE TCALL YE BESIDES "DEADPOOL." YE HAVE A NAME...
...OR PR THAT MATTER, A PACE..?
YEAH, WELL, I --
HEY!!
NO EXAMININ THE MERCHANDISE, RED. IF I WANT YA TO KNOW ANYTHING, I'LL TELL YA WHEN I'M GOOD AND READY.
PUT IT THAT WAY AND I'M FOR IT.
SO... WHAT DWE DO NOW?
WHAT SAY WE DROP THE TOUCHY-FEELY SHINOLA WHILE YOU CAN STILL COUNT TO FIVE ON THAT HAND.
PRAY FOR AN EARTHQUAKE?

TO SWALLOW ME UP? WOULDN'T SAVE YA, MERC.
I'D CRAWL BY MY FINGERTIPS OUT OF HELL ITSELF FOR A CHANCE TO GET EVEN WITH YOU.
NOT THAT I'LL HAVE TO... AFTER TONIGHT.
FIRE!
BUDDA BUDDA BU... BUDDA
WHO SAYS I'M NOT A FUN DATE?
MOVE IT OR LOSE IT, RED!
DEADPOOL?
BLAST IT, DEADPOOL... WHERE'D YE GO NOW?

WITH HIS HEALIN' POWERS ON THE FRITZ, HE'S A SACK O' BROKEN BONES!
FIGGERED I'D KEEP AN EYE ON HIM... BUT NOW I'VE --
AARRGH!
SONICS --!
-- LOST SIGHT OF HIM? YOU MORONS!
LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING --
SPANG
AAAH!
SAVE YOUR BREATH.
YOU'LL NEED IT
KLIK
TO BBQ
KLIK
FOR MERCY...
KLIK
RAGAMUFFINS.
WHAT'S THE MATTER, MERC? NEED SOME AMMO?
I'VE GOT SOME RIGHT HERE.
CATCH.


THIS --
-- IS FOR ALMODOVAR.
KRAK
TFFF
AND THIS -- IS FOR COSTING ME MY PROMO-TION.
KRAK
TFFF
AND THIS IS FOR THE NIGHT SHIFT THAT KEEPS ME FROM MY WIFE AND KIDS.
KRAK
TFFF
KLIK
AND THIS...
...THIS IS FOR --
Huh?

THIS--
--IS FOR THE HECK OF IT!
FWAM!
NOOOO!
IT CAN'T END LIKE THIS!
I'LL GET YOU GET YOU GET
AMAZIN'.
EVEN AT DEATH'S DOOR, Y'NEVER LET GO OF A GRUDGE!

SEAN! THANK THE LORD YOU FOUND ME! I ALWAYS KNEW I COULD COUNT ON YOU!
NO NEED T'BE GRATEFUL--
Y'RATBAG! YE BETRAYED ME T'FOLLOW Y'R OWN STUPID VENDETTA!
THIS IS NO LONGER Y'R AFFAIR-- UNDER-STOOD?
SEAN, WAIT--!
HANG ON AGAINST THE SOLDIERS, THERESA! I'M COMIN' T'--
--HELP YE?
ALREADY TAKEN CARE OF, FATHER.
HOPE Y'WERE EASY ON 'EM, LASS! THEY WERE, AFTER ALL, LED HERE BY A VENGEFUL, MIS-GUIDED MORON.
SPEAKIN' OF WHICH...
...HOW ARE YE FEELIN'?
LIKE FIVE MILES OF :koff: ROAD. YOU :koff: GOT A NEW PLAN, IRISH?
IN PEYER'S OFFICE, I FOUND A SOLID LEAD T'TOM'S WHEREABOUTS. WE HAVE A CHANCE T' MAKE A FRONTAL ASSAULT-- AND END THIS FOOLISHNESS.
ARE YE IN, OR...
OUT. THIS NEVER SHOULD HAVE BEEN MY FIGHT.
JUST SEND ME A POSTCARD. MAYBE A SOUVENIR. I RUN EXTRA-LARGE IN A "BANSHEE AND SIRYN FOUGHT BLACK TOM AND ALL I GOT WAS THIS STUPID T-SHIRT."
I GUESS THIS IS IT, THEN.
PRETTY MUCH HAS TO BE, DOESN'T IT?

GOODBYE, DEADPOOL.
WADE.
WHAT?
MY NAME IS WADE.
Y'WON'T REGRET THIS.
I WON'T LIVE LONG ENOUGH.
FLY.

NO GUARANTEES, TOM.
I HAVEN'T TIME FR 'EM ANYWAY.
THE GOAL OF CAPTURIN' DEADPOOL WAS ALWAYS T' MAKE USE OF HIS HEALIN' POWER, WASN'T IT?
I'D HOPED TO GRAFT HIS REGENERATING CELLS TO YOUR DEGENERATING LIMBS. NOW I CAN.
AND WITH LUCK, PRAYER, AND A BIT OF A NUDGE, THEY'LL GROW SWIFTLY -- SAFELY REPLACING THE CREEPING GROWTH THAT CHOKES YOUR BODY.
THE QUESTION NOW IS WHERE BEST TO APPLY THE SAMPLE WE'VE BEEN BROUGHT...
ALLOW ME T' RUSH TH' DECISION.
DESPERATE TIMES...
...CALL FOR DESPERATE MEASURES!
CHOK
-GASP-
YOUR WRIST --!
HURRY! PUT IT ON! IS IT TAKIN'?
IT... IT IS ...!
OF COURSE IT IS! YE PROMISED ALL ALONG THAT THE CURE TO MY CONDITION --

-- WAS RIGHT IN THE PALM OF
DEADPOOL'S HAND!
NEXT
DEADPOOL VS BLACKTOM... MANO A MANO!

BULLPEN MARVEL COMICS BULLETINS

ProFiles: ANDY KUBERT

Artist **Andy Kubert** describes his work on the X-MEN as "the best job I ever had!" Here, Andy tells how he got the job, as well as what it's like to be part of a comic book drawing dynasty that includes his brother, **Adam** and his father, **Joe**!

Where and when were you born?
I was born in Boonton, NJ, on February 27, 1962.

How did you break into comics?
I started off as a letterer — my dad taught me how to do that. I got into the drawing part from attending my dad's school (the Joe Kubert School of Comic Art in Dover, NJ). Lettering got me into Marvel — I lettered the VOID INDIGO graphic novel, and the VOID INDIGO series, which lasted two issues!

How long did you attend the school?
Three years.

Did you do your homework every night?
I had no choice! (laughter.)

Did your brother, Adam, go to school with you?
Yeah, we went at the same time.

Which one of you was the better student?
I was, of course!

How do you and Adam get along?
We get along good. Our studios are right next door to each other, and we're always going back and forth.

Did you always want to work in comics?
I had no idea what I wanted to do! I didn't start drawing until I was 20 years old! Originally I was just going to go to my dad's school for a year. I figured I would get a job working for the school, not as a teacher, but maybe in the administrative department. I never thought I would draw for the school!

When did you graduate?
I finished school in '84. I began lettering while I was still in school. My dad was editing *Sgt. Rock* at the time, and he would give work to his second and third year students.

What was your first art job for Marvel?
I did a backup in SAVAGE SWORD OF CONAN. Then I did a whole issue of SAVAGE SWORD. Then I went and did some DC stuff — I think it was *Warlord*. I used to remember the order I did stuff in — now it all blends together!

How did you get assigned to the X-MEN?
Jim Lee decided to quit. Bob Harras called me. It took me half a second to decide!

Who are your favorite members of the team?
Gambit and Colossus.

Had you always been an X-MEN fan?
No. My dad used to bring home comics when I was a kid, but they were just DC's. I never knew Marvel existed! It wasn't until I was going to my dad's school that I discovered the X-Men. I started collecting Marc Silvestri's issues — I'm a big fan of his work.

Do you have a mutant power?
Yeah, but you wouldn't want to print what it is!

Did you ever have a crush on any of the girls from the Brady Bunch?
Yeah — Alice the maid!

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